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For: METHOD FOR FILLING CONTACT HOLES WITH METAL BY

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**AMENDMENT** 

Assistant Commissioner for Patents U. S. Patent and Trademark Office Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action mailed November 9, 2000. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please substitute the following claims 1-28, 30-39, 41-43, 45-70, 72-80 and 82-88 for the pending claims of the same numbers. A marked up copy of the claims showing the most recent amendments is included herewith as Appendix A in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.121(c).

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